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NOTICE OF UNLICENSED OPERATION

Case Number: EB-10-SF-0095 Document Number: W201032960008

The San Francisco Office received information that an unlicensed broadcast radio station on 93.7 MHz was allegedly operating in San Jose, California. On May 6, 2010, agents from this office confirmed by direction finding techniques that radio signals on frequency 93.7 MHz were emanating from your residence in San Jose, California. The Commission's records show that no license was issued for operation of a broadcast station at this location on 93.7 MHz in San Jose, California.

Radio stations must be licensed by the FCC pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 301. The only exception to this licensing requirement is for certain transmitters using or operating at a power level that complies with the standards established in Part 15 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 15.1 *et seq.* Your operation on frequency 93.7 MHz was measured at 777,392 microvolts per meter (μ V/m) at 594 meters. This exceeds the allowable unlicensed limit of 250 μ V/m at 3 meters established in Part 15. Thus, this station is operating in violation of 47 U.S.C. § 301.

Spurious radio signals associated with the operation of this station were detected on frequencies within the radio frequency band assigned for communications between aircraft and/or aircraft and aviation ground facilities. The signals may present a safety hazard to the operation of aircraft since air/ground communications could be affected.

You are hereby warned that operation of radio transmitting equipment without a valid radio station authorization constitutes a violation of the Federal laws cited above and could subject the operator of this illegal operation to severe penalties, including, but not limited to, substantial monetary forfeitures, *in rem* arrest action against the offending radio equipment, and criminal sanctions including imprisonment. (*See* 47 U.S.C. §§ 401, 501, 503 and 510).

UNLICENSED OPERATION OF THIS RADIO STATION MUST BE DISCONTINUED IMMEDIATELY.

You have ten (10) days from the date of this notice to respond with any evidence that you have authority to operate granted by the FCC. Your response should be sent to the address in the letterhead and reference the listed case and document number. Under the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. § 552a(e)(3), we are informing you that the Commission's staff will use all relevant material information before it to determine what, if any, enforcement action is required to ensure your compliance with FCC Rules. This will include any information that you disclose in your reply.

Be advised that this notice does not preclude this office from pursuing additional sanctions based upon our investigation of this incident.

You may contact this office if you have any questions.

Thomas N. Van Stavern District Director San Francisco Office

Attachments:

Excerpts from the Communications Act of 1934, As Amended Enforcement Bureau, "Inspection Fact Sheet", March 2005